

**Alaska FASD Partnership  
Steering Committee – MINUTES  
Wednesday, June 11, 2014**

**Introductions**

Monica Leinberger (chair), Wendy Barrett (Stone Soup Group), Amy Hansen (Advisory Board on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse), Eliza Jamison (Alaska Youth & Family Network), Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus (parent, Governor's Council on Disabilities & Special Education), Jeannie Yuman (parent, Norton Sound Health Corporation), Trish Smith (Volunteers of America Alaska), Deb Evensen (consultant, Anchorage and Kenai School Districts), Lakota Holman (ANTHC), Teri Tibbett (Alaska Mental Health Board/Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse).

**Approval of Agenda** Approved.

**Approval of Minutes 5.14.14** Approved with changes:

Change CMCA to "Communities Mobilizing for Change on Alcohol". Also under other reports and announcements, change 27 communities, should be trained Camp Fire staff in FASD into Action who will be operating in 27 communities.

**Member Updates**

Monica – Testified "Alaska Native-American Indian Against Violence Toward Children" in Bethel and brought up FASD issues.

Deb – Both Anchorage and Kenai school districts will continue their consulting contracts with Deb. Will be producing research and materials. She is feeling hopeful and excited about them. The ASD's FASD video is being reproduced in Australia, UK, Canada and U.S. "It's really being utilized worldwide." It's downloadable for free from the Anchorage School District website. There are pockets of people in state who have a real in-depth knowledge of FASD and the video is just an example. It's coming from the people in the field and from a grassroots level.

Jeanne – Had another meeting of the GCDSE FASD Workgroup and they are committed to their goals, highlighting that Travis Hedwig is focusing on ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) that would include early screening, etc. She lead an FASD Into Action training through Arctic FASD RTC to a well-rounded representation from around the state, including people with FASD, parents, providers, trainers, etc. It was a good group and had a lot come out of it. Also, GCDSE is working on edibility for DD services, and DD Waiver. Also talked about Ilisagvik College, a tribal college in Barrow that puts on summer programs that are appropriate for tribal youth and other youth who might have a disability because it's a supportive environment, staff is really out to support people, they want to bring more young people to their college, subjects include: construction,

Wendy – Will teach *FASD Into Action* in Anchorage at SSG, still have openings. Announced that Hilda Oscar will be the new parent navigator in Bethel, representing SSG. On June 14, SSG is hosting a forum related to FASD, gathering feedback, needs assessment, Natural Helpers, etc.

Lakota – Will be participating in an AK Community Resilience Coach/Master Trainer course in Anchorage June 26-27 through the Alaska Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Initiative facilitated by Dr. Rob

Anda and Laura Porter, co-founders of the ACE Interface. ACE Initiative focused on three areas: 1) Build community awareness of ACEs, 2) support current ACEs work in AK, build ton a collective impact framework, and 3) assist with building capacity of existing networks and services to support resilience amongst individuals who have experience ACES. AK ACES Initiative Partners, AK Children's Trust, AK Mental Health Trust Authority, ANMC, Child Trauma Center, First Alaskans, Mat-Su Health Foundation, Rasmuson Foundation, SOA, DHSS, Trust Training Cooperative, UAA

Eliza – Working to restart the Youth & FASD workgroup, will be sending out an announcement and doodle for recruitment and participation.

**Next meeting:** August 13, 2014 (cancelled July 9, 2014)